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An Eclog treating

Of Crownes, and of Garlandes, and to whom of right they appertaine,

Addressed, and consecrated to the Kings Maiestie.

& By G. B. Knight.

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MAGNÆ BRITANNIÆ, GALLIÆ, &
HIBERNIÆ REGI, DOMINO
SVO CLEMENTISS.

HÆC STEMMATA, & DIADEMATA,
I. HAS GENEALOGIÆ AVG.ET
IMPERII BRITANNICI
LEVES ADVMBRATIONES.

GEORGIVS BYCPS EQ. R.S.P.C.





OST SACRED SOVERAIGN:

I have adventured to prefent your Mitiestie not with a faire ponerrait, but with a flight shadow of your imperiall greatnesse; which I began long since, but then the end was in nubibus, or

in abelance (as our Lawyers fay) for I could not finish it according to my proiect) untill fuch time as be, which floated be fent, Expectatio gentium (Britannicaiti) fondi come, who was ordained from about to weare all thefe crownes and garlands, and toreduce this whole Isle (with the hereditary Kingdomes, and Prouinces thereof) to one monarchie and entire Empire, as they had been in the times of diners ancient British Sason, and fome English kings of the Norman, or Danish race, as it shall bereafter appeare. The foundation of this great works hath bin layd, by many Kings your Maiesties ancestors (I meane by alliance, not by armes for those plots were frustrate) but in lately by King Henry the eight when he mediated the mariage of his forme Vide Ro. Afcamin the Prince of England with the Princeffe of Scotland your Toxophil. of the In Maiefties mother: as also in this manier many ages before the net of this voice. good king Malcolm(1) Cammoit proietted this worke (and that (1) Capito, or Buchand. rith happy successe by the maringe of Masgaret daughter of the Saxon Prince Edward Exul, brire of the great Edgat) out f which royall bride-bed your Maieffie is iffued. Likewife Aexander the first maried Sibilla eldest daughter of William Duke of Normandy king of England. The first Danid alfo king f Scotland maried Matilda daughter of the Earle Waldeof and of Tudith neece to the faid King William : King Alexander the fecond maried loan Plantagenet daughter of King ohn. King Alexander the third maried Margaret Plantage. net daughter of King Henry the third. King David the feand maried Loan Plantagener daughter of King Edward the

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second. King Tames the first maried loane daughter of the Dake of Somerfet Grandchild to King Edward the third King lames the fourth your Maiesties great Grandfather waried Margaret eldeft daughter of King Henry the fearenth, and of Queene Elizabeth Plantagener daughter and beine of King Edward the fourth. But thefe Princes maried onely but daughters of England; but You (most facred Prince) the great IACOR, enthronized upon the Patriarke Iacobs fa-An Do. 1603, "ul ss. tall stone, and upon Saint lacobs Festinall esponsed solemnets faire England her felfe. And all the former matches were but preparatines, & (as Ifaid) foundations of this great worke, which your Maiefty (whom I may now call an English man, as well for being descended from so many English Princes, as al-So for that your Maiesties Father was an English man, and your mother Princeffe, and beire of England) hath by divine preordinance now frushed and accomplished in plenitudine temporum; and that by inft right, for in your facred person are sointly met, and coalesced, the royall blonds, interests, and titles not onely of all Great Britaine, but also of France and Ireland, Which to proone will not require much fearch nor fludy for the are enident, and I will for brenities fake but thus point at them,

His Maiefties tiele to For some of them namely Scotland (the Crowne and Scepter Scotland & to treland. whereof (milla per innumeros auos) your Maieftie hath borne from your infancy) all men know and acknowledge your anci-

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ent royall right, and estate therein. And your Maiesties title Lienel Plantag. Du. of to Ireland will be manifest in your Genealogie herein deduced Clarence, third sonne from that great Plantagenet King Henry the second, the first of king Ed. 3. maried English Prince Lord of Ireland, of from his beroycall posteritie Eliz.dugh & heire of (as well Marches as others) who have been continually seysed of Vister L. of Con-thereof untill this day. "So themise your Maiestier tytle to the nacht: from whom the Crowne of France theweth it felfe clearly in the ancient poffeffi-Dukes of York are del-one of thefe royall Plantageness here prefented, your Masefiles cended. Camben in Progenitors first Dikes of Normandy, then of Aquitaine, "His Maieflies tile to Earles of Poictow, of Aniow, of Maine, of Touraine, and of

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Britaine, and after of Angolelme : And laftly Kinges of all France, fee it more se France in the right of Isabell or Elizabeth fole dangbeer, and large in the Argumer. herre of Philip le bel King of France mother of King Ed - Vide 1 Froiffa drom 2 ward the third, who made a most renowned and happy entry upon that his royall inheritance: & hee his great beires were not onely titulare Lords, but also actuall possessors of France many yeares, and yet to this day in token of that ancient right) (1) Gersey, Garnesey, bane ferfine of a (1) part of that kingdome, notwithstanding Aldern y, coare parthat counterfest bethenish Lew Salica maintained by all the cels of Normandy, and power of France many ages against them. lo configuently of

" Your Maiesties tytle, and descent from the anciens kings of by the K. of Eng. great Britaine (and which is least knowne) may thus redily be derined. The Welfh Bardes, as also our best beralds record "His Maiesties title shat (1) Rhefe ap-Gruffith (furnamed Atglaid) prince of South fro the British Kings. wales about the yeere of our Lord 1196. (and iffined from (1) Ruffin. Cadwallader the last British King) had a daughter named(2) (2) Faire Iulian. Gwenlhian meried to (3) Edneues Vachan Lord of Bran- (3) Edmund. Cencle, and chiefe Inflice of Wales, and bare to him a forme (4) Gerian, or Levenim. not salled (4) Grono, this Grono had (5) Tedor, Tedor had Gro (5) Theodore. no, Grono had Tedor, Tedor had (6) Meredith, Meredith (6) Veridik. Henry the fift, and daughter of the French king Chatles the fer first) by whom hee had Edmond created Earle of Richmond by King Henry the fixt, his brother exercise. And this Edmond was father of King Henry the feaventh, who was fatheritle f Queene Margaret your Maieflies grant granmother, che. ced But some derine your Maiesties Britistrace from a namelesse, inft of a good namelesse daughter of Gruffith ap Leothim (a Prince f Wales about the yeere 1051) upon whom (as they pretend) of the Princes of Heanchus thape, or Steward of Abria flying into Wales for facour begat unlawfully a some, who should be uncefter to ult the (1- hiefe Stewards to this day: But this being not adminished god by he best Scoush Historiographers, of the thing not bonnerable, I may well pretermit it . Laftly , to fimile all thefe your Maiofties matine

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Hie Maiefties title from the Saxon kings.

natine titles to these many Diadems mentioned in this Post. I have inserted a Genealogy of the Saxon Kings drawne fr the first uniter of the heptarchye, and the Godfather of As glia King Egbert onto Matilda the Empresse, danghter heyre of King Henry the first, and mother of this great Pla tagenet King Henry the fecond, ancester of all the Engl Kings putill this day. And from him this poefs is a co nued pedegree unto Quaene Elizabeth the first, and fre Her to your Maiefty, and to your Maiefties most excelle Sonne Henry, The Prince of Great Brimine.

Now it resteth that I answere, or excuse some faults fou in this Poefy, for fome note that I am too long in my ind tion, notwithstanding I propound in the first stanze. Other reprone me because I began no higher. Others charge that I have concealed and coloured the faultes of bad Pri

The first objection is answered in it selfe. The second answered in the Argument following. The third may not ly be answered but maintained by the rule of Christian el

rity, which (as the Apostle teacheth) openit multitudin

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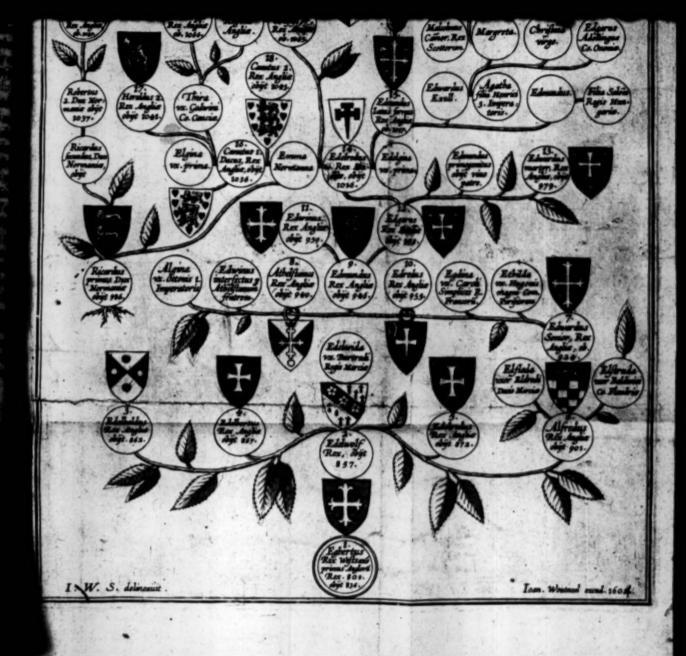
peccatorum, and the Enangelicall law of Talion prefer beth Quzeung; Vultis ve faciant vobis homines, & facite illia. And I my felfe claims the benefit hereof, for confesse I hane other faults besides these . I am ignorant , I M. Scaurus ita fuit pr-poore, and I am as obscure as M. Scaurus mas (of whom A tritius vt 3 supra cum Pedianus maketh mention) and so have been ener since

fatall iourney at Bosworth: and had then perished witer had not the Princely Humanity of the great surviving H ward preferned my young orphan ancester: which with best service (as I am bound) I will ever acknowledge to the most illustrious family of Norfolke the Durateus equis great Captaines , grane Counfellours , high Seneschalle

Marshals, Treasorers, and Admirals of England : befider to my other heriocall Gentlemen fortunate, and faithfull to the

etatibus iacuerit domuseius fortuna, Oc. ANGLIÆ REGVI EGBERTO REGE

ANGLIÆ REGVM PROSAPIA A TEMPORE QVO ANGLIA APPELLARI CÆPIT, NIMIRVM EGBERTO REGE PRIMO EIVSDEM MONARCHA: VSQVE AD HENRICVM PROSERVA



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Crowne, and Kingdomes.

But to conclude shortly, whatformer be the faults of the books, or of the Buc I most humbly submit them to your Massisties most gracious consure, who (next to the compotent Lord of Lords) are vitz, & necis Arbiter, and not easily the Vite, & nest gracial supreme, and highest indge but (which is best) the best indge, i, as his scarca, the most wife, the most learned, and the most element indge. Quicquid denine And stherefore of some prostrating my solve, my small saless, win Dai have Arten (or rather mites) and all at your sacred sections solving either praise, or thanks, nor so much at one branch or lease of any of

thefe your many Garlands, but with the old Poet Veniam pro laude pero laudatus abundé

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Si fastiditus non tibi Daphnis cro.

And with the new inauguratorie hymne fill pray to the Al-

Your happy dayes may not be done, Till the great comming of his Sonne. And that your health, your loyes, your peace, May as your raigne, and yeres increase.

AMEN.

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THE PREFACE, OR Argument of this Poif.



Ameter having long bin a woodman had observed the natures, & propertyes of many trees, and apprehended there was fome miftery, and some peculiar maiesticall matter in the Geneft, more then he

pher. Whereupon hee went to Silenus a man of great learning and anthoritie for he was held 2 Prother) and exposeth to him his conceir, and prayeth cathofily his ayde. South entertaineth him curreoutly, and is very willing; (and by the meanes of a late accident) well able to refer the him: for (faith he) there was a complaint mad fately to our great God apullo against certaine viworthy fellower, which prefumpriously tooke garlands of his wickent tree the Laurell without leave. Whereat he hauing indignation, determined to take order for that, and such like abuses. And foorthwith calling the Mules to counsell in Helicon established ordinances for the due weating of that & of al other Ghirlands. And because the ancient Chirlands were abuted, & prophaned with common and vaworthy vie, hee made choice of a new tree (viz) the Geneff , and infinited Chirlands thereof, and game to them præropatines about the reft, & appropriated them to one (i) Britania , or Albien mperial family leated in (i) Leuceeff4: & with expresse rather. Vide flang 17.

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After this Silenus declareth more particularly, who, and what these royall Worthyes were, which should beare, or weare Chappelets, or Garlads of the Geneft tree, and lastly the Garland complete.

Beginning with that great Henry sonne of the Empresse Massida(the first King of this Iland surnamed Hewis also surnamed Plantagenet) and so deducing a genealogy from him through his toyall posterity to our present sacred Soueraign IAMES, his now nextheire, and nephew, whom the Prophet herein styleth the true Polyflephanus,

Courtmantel.

Polystephanus, the Peace-maker, King Arturs succesfor, great Adgars heire, high Senefchall of Albion, the great Briton &c. And crowneth his head with this imperiall Polyanthine Ghirland, and his raigne with all the blefsings of peace, victory, long life, a rare fayre wife, hopefull Princely iffue, and a perpenuall fuccession of their posterity in the Empire of great Britain.

And now to that objection touched in the dedicatory, and made because I derive not this title, and genealogy from some of the ancient monarkes of this Isle Britons, or Saxons, or at the least from King William the Conquerour, I must answere that to haue chosen any of the most ancient Kings, I must have looked so farre backe, as I should not onely haue made this Eclog ouer-long, and tedious, but also have lost my selfe in the cloudes of obscurity by foring too high amongst them (as they know, which know what our ancient storyes bee.) But as for William the Conquerour there be many reasons why I should not begin with him (although I goe as neere him, as his fonnes daughter) for firstly, he was a bastard, (and yet not that of the blood royall of pide lib. S. Stephani England) having no title to the Crowne but vio- Cadomenfor de Gutiela lence, and his fword as he confessed, and thereof had mo conque storre remorfe of conscience at his death Secondly he was neuer possessed of the one halfe of Britain, for hee had neither Scotland, nor Wales, and in Ireland he not one foote. Furthermore Girard Du-Haillan and other

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ther French antiquaties according to their Sabke he raldry fay that his lyne ended in his sonne King Henrythe first: for all they holde as a maxime, (La famille secontinué es mastes, et se finist aux filles.) And yet Du-Haillan (notwithstading, or forgetting this) affirmeth in an other place, that the race of the Kings of Eng-In Summaire des dues, land iffued out of the house of Aniow (viz) from our

et contes d'Aniov.

great Henry, and his ancesters) continueth vntill this day. From whom there be many reasons on the other fide, why I should deduce the genealogy of our Kings passed, and of our present Soueraigne Lord

the greatest king &c

K. Henry the fecond, King I A M ES: for this great Henry was not onely rightfull heire, and King of England, but also the greatest King (of whom there is any credible story extant) which hath been in this Isle of Britain fince the time of the Romaine Emperous (who were reputed Lords of all the world) and which thus I demonstrate, and briefly. He was King of England in the right of his mother Matilda the Empresse, daughter and heire to King Henry the first, by Matilda Bona daughter of King Malcoim Canmoir, and of Margaret his wife, who was the daughter of Edward Exul the Sazon Prince the sonne of Edmond tronside King of England Anno Dom. 1016. This Edmond was fonne and heyre to King Etheldred, who in ancient charters is written Totius Britannia rex (qued nota) because a late Anonymus in a little booke dedicated to his Maiesty, affirmeth that neuer any Prince was king of this whole Isle vntill now: But he is deceived for (belides

King Malcolm knighted this K.H.the fecod at fifteene yeeres of age, Neubrig. who writeth much in the honour of this king Malcolm.lib.2.cap.20.



(befides Conflantius Chlorus and his fonne our countriman Conftantine the great , Conftans, Aurelius Aubrolius, Vter, & others (which were Lords of all great Britaine) Edgar also the father of this King Bibeldred was absolute Monarke of this Isleland, and so puilsant in forces both by land, and sea, as hee was furnamed the Great, and was stiled Torins Albianis basileus & Anglici orbis basileus (as G. Malmesburiensis & Florentius Wigorniunsis witnesse. Whereupon (to note also by the way) some thinke that the word Anglia was sometimes vsed for the whole Isle, and Britannia at admitte which lon Lidgate diferely afferererh in King Ar- appellatur Anglia loins thurs complaint in these words, Great Britain now cal- Salisbur, in Policraso likewise doth Geffrey Chaucer in led England: the Franklins tale(viz.) In England, that Clepid was Britain: And Banulius Cestrensis a graver Authour Ranulsus Higeden in peremptorily affirmeth that King Egbers after his Polichronic. conquests ordained, and commaunded that the Saxons, and lutes should bee called Angles, and that Britain should bee called England: But I leave this to be discussed by antiquaryes. And to returne to the ancient Saxon Kings progenitors of this Henry, and also possessors of this whole Isle (as I will shew for the better confirmation of that, which Thaue faid against the opinion of this Auonymus.) In divers ancient records and charters of donations of these kings to Monasteries, and to Cathedrall Churches, and in other ancient monuments, I have observed these severall stiles,

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* Ex archinis Cifce-Breafis Ecclefie by the fau sur or the reverend D. Hea. Blaxtos Chauncellor. * Epoch 1

Eno Athelftanus rex Anglorum anno Dominica in. carnationis D. CCCCXXX. r'gni verò mihi gratis commissi V 1. Indictione 111. Epacta xviii. Concurrente iiit. Nonis mensis Aprilu iii . Lana rotigera vara tionis i. per eiuldem omnipatrantis dextram totias BRITANNIÆ regium solio sublimatus &c. .

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Ego Eadmundus rex . ! aglorum, ceter ruma, gentium in circuitu perfelentium Gubernator et rettor An. Dom, 245. Ego Edredus rex terrenus sub imperiali potentiaregi feculorum aterniq, principis,magna Britannia temporale gerens imperium, &c. An. Dom. 948. Ego Edgarus totius albionis monarcha de. An. Dom. 966. And in an other, Ego Edgarus totius Albionis, finitimorumg, regum basileus. An. Dom. 974. These the ce last stiles ! finde in the history of Ingulfus Abborrof Croyland transcribed by him from the Charters of that Monastery. And the other two before going, are copyed out of the records of the Cathedrall Church of Chicefter, as also these three next following. Ex Eadwis (2) basileon totius Albionis &c. An. Dom! D.CCCC.LVI. imperii autem 1. An in another, Ego

a) II Beordiny, wb.rex. This Eaduvis or Edwwin waselder brother to the great Edgar.

Geftis Ealfredi.

Eadwin rex gentium Albionis &c. And in the date of a charter of Bishop Brighthelmus, Anno 2. imperis 10. Affer in histor. de Eadwin totius Albionis insula imperantis. I finde also (in ABer Meneuenfis) Alured or Alfred a more ancient Saxon King then thefe written Omnium Britan!

infula Christianorum rettor. An. Dom.872.

And Edward (furnamed Pius, and Confessor) was from the yeare of our Lord 1050. King of this whole

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Isle(if there be any credite to be given to our stories) and was stilled rex Albionis, as ion I wine anoweth to. Trevinus in Abb out of his charters given to the Abby of Abingdon. onicis. And that fame King Etheldred before cited, was ftr- I have feene this charled in the charters of Glastonbury, Etheldred Angli. 10f Holland, a learned ca nationis , caterarumg, gentium triniatim intra am. Gentleman, & a good bitum Britan.infula degentium &c. bafileus, and ano- antiquary. ther K.in old infeription, Britannia Anax : and many Sigillo. V. fuch more, which were too long to recite, And some kings of the Norman race (which is more rare) haue been fo stiled For the Lord Bishop of Briston vouch. Ion B. of Bristow in eth a coine of King Ion, wherein is stamped Ivanes the winn. rex Britonum. but that coine which his Lordship shewed to me had the armes of little Britain vpon the reverse: but his grandchild King Edward the first & Vide Tho. VVailhingafter him king Edward the third were greater mo- ham in K. Edw. 1. 6 narkes here then he. But this great Henry Plantagenets Empire extended beyond the bounds of the Britannish world; and his greatnes so farre exceeded all other kings his ancesters, that he was stilled Maxi- in Polycratico. mus Britannia regum, as I will shew by and by , and by good right: for besides this his great Britain and breland, he was possessed of a great part of France, K.Edw 3 credted A. and by these titles. He was Duke of Normandy by quitain into a Princeright of inheritance from his granfather King Henry dome for his eldest the first Duke of Normandy &c. He was Duke of sonne Edw. Aquitain (that is) Gascoin , and Guien (sometimes a kingdome) and Earle of Poilton by the mariage of

Queene Elianor daughter & heire of William Duke tean de la Hay.

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Lib. 11.cap. 18.

Giraldus Cambrenf. in Hiber. expugnata & G.Camden.

Gyr. du Haillan en la his father Geoffrey Le Bel Earle of them all, He Iwayed all in litle Britain; which authority he acquired partly by the mariage of Constance daughter and heire of Conan Earle of Britain with his third sonne Geffrey Earle of Richmont, but chiefly by his fwoord: as it appeareth by Gu: Neuburgenfis, who then lived, and thus writeth. Cum a potentioribus in Britannia inferiores premerentur, regis Anglorum auxilium expe tentes, eius feditioni spontance subdiderunt &c. ipfoft potentes viribus subegit, sieg, in breni tota Britannia pa titus est. He also conquered Anuergine: and thus much for his possessions in France: and now to Ireland. He twife inuaded that kingdome, and by armes feconded with the letters of fauour of his good friend Pope Adrian (an Englishman) hee brought the discording Princes there, to submit theyr differents and their rytles to him, and so obtained the possession of the Ifle.

And as for those parts, & partyes in this our great Britain (viz) of Engl. Scotl. and Wates (which did not acknowledge his fourrainty) hee reduced them in good time to the ancient fubication, and obedience, which they owed to the Br:tifh, & Saxon kings hispro genitors. The Welfhme in their stories acknowledge this, & intheir loyalty & dueties (as the English) line

ly expresse it enery day. But for the other (if any doubt be made) G. Neuburgenfis (veridicus autor as Polidore Vergill obserueth him) will thus satisfie him, speaking of this K. Henry, & of Danid K. of Scots his pulo- G. Neuburg. Eb.s ner, being then both at Torke, Occurrit eirex Scotorum cap. 38. cum universis regni nobilibus, qui omnes in ecclesia beatissimi apostolorum principis, regi Anglia, tanquam principali domino hominium cum ligeantia(id est) folemni camione standi cum co, et pro co contra omnes homines (rege proprio pracipiente) fecerunt. Ipfe quoq, rex Scotorum coram universa muititudine nobilium utriusa. regni regem Anglorum modes folemnibus dominum fuum feque hominem et fidelem eins declaranit , eig, tria pracipua regni sui munimina (scilicet Kokesburk, Berwik, et Castellum puellarum loco obsidum tradidit c. But Ion Bishop of Chartres maketh his Em- 10. bish. Carnotensis pyre yet much greater, for hee boundeth it to the in Polycratics. Southward with Spaine, and to the Northward with the Isles of Orkney; and mought as well (if it had pleased him) with the North pole (as Giraldus Cambrensis did) and then styleth him Maximum Britannia regum .1. the greatest of the Kings of great Britaine vt fupra : And Giraldus goeth further, for he compareth him with the great Alexander, and ascribeth (as some interpret) the first discovery of the West Indies (which was made by Madok, D. Powell a yonger fon of win Gwineth Prince of Northwales An. Dom. 1170.) to this King, because it was done by his auspices : as we may as well also attribute to him the .

the redeeming of our great Artur from the iniuri-D. Powel in the histo. ous imputation of a fabulous Heres , because he caury of the Princes of fed his monument to be fought out (which was funk deep within the ground in the Isle of Aualon) by Wales. the occasion of a Bardes song, which he heard in Pebroke. But I will fet downe Graldus his owne words

written in maner of a Panegyrick to this king, and in sil. Giraldus in Topo_my conceit elegant enough for those times. Certail graphia Hibernia cap. cum orbe terrarum victoria vestra a Pyrenais enim mon-

tibus vique in occiduos, et extremos Borealis Oceani fines Alexander noster occidentalis brachium extendisti. Quantum igitur his in partibus natura terras, tantum et vistorias extulifti: fiexcurfuum tuorum meta quar antur, prius deerit orbis quam aderit finis. Animolo enim pectori cessare possunt terra, cessare nesciunt victoria, non deesse poterunt triumphi, sed materia triumphandi. Qualiter titulis vestris, et triumphis Hibernicus accessent orbis? Quantaget quam laudabili virtute Oceans fecreta, et occulta natura deposita transpentraneris &c? Qualiter fulguranti aduentus vestri lumine attoniti occidentales reguli tanquam ad lucubrum anicula ad vestrum statim imperium convolauerunt? And much more, which Isan. Saresbur in Poli- for breuity I omit. That which the Bishop of Char.

eratico lib.8.cap.24.

47. & 48.Diftinct. 3.

tres writeth of him before mentioned and promised, is thys : Rex illustris Angiorum Henricus secundus requm Britannia maximus &c. circa Garumnam fulminat et Tolosam falicicingens obsidione, non modo prounciales, ofg ad Rhodanum, et Alpes territat jed munitionibus dirutis populifa. Jubalis (quasi vniversis pra-

" Profligatis.

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fens immineat) timore principes cocufsit Hifbanos, et Galles. And to these I will adde onely Will. of Neubo- G. Neuburg lib. 11. roughs elogic for a Corollarie. Regis supra omnes, que vaquam bactenus in Anglia regnaffe nofcebantur, latius dominantis (hoc est) ab vitimis Scotia finibus ad montesvia, Pyrenaes nomen in cunctis regionibus celebre habebatur &c. Hunc finem habuit incheus ille rex Henricus a interreges terrarum nominatifsimus, et milli coruvel amplitudine opu, vel falicitate fusceffun fecundus. And thus much for the testimony of the greatnes of his conquests, & of his Empire. as for his other great. neffes (viz) of his wisedome, of his instice, of his magnanimity, of his bounty and other heroycall vertues I shall not need to produce any proofe, for his wife and politik administration of his great affayres, and estate, his victoryes and hygh acheeuements fectedly intimate them at the full. He was also well Gral Cambridge learned, as Giraldus affirmeth, and (which was his best prayse)he was very charytable, and pions, (incomparabilis Eleemofynarumlargitor, et precipuus terra Palestina (ustentator.) And Radulph de Diceto writeth that in the time of an extreame dearth in Anion and Maine hee relected with bread ten thousand people dayly from Aprill till harueft. And William of Newborough addeth that he received with great deuotion the character of the facred Militia for the recourry of the holy land. And afterward (because he vide S. Giraldum in was not able to goe by reason of infirmities, and for Topograp. Hibern. the great daungers wherein his estate should stand on Hiber. expug-

Diftinct. 3. cap. 48. In mata lib.1.cap 45.

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er D.d' Aniev.

Fabian.

in his absence which Giraldus sheweth) hee gaue to ward this expedition the lumme of 47. M. li. or there abouts, lean de la Haye also writech that hee built S. Andrews Church in Bourdeaux, and S. Peters in Poitiers, and founded a Bishops sea there, and enlarged the towne by the one halfe. Hee reedified G.du Haillan es contes, the Abby at Waltham in Effex, and the Charterhouse of Witham in Wilssbire. He repaired and much beautified the Monastery of font Enerard (or Frontenaux) neere Egle in Normandy: and founded the Priories

He loued bunting and hanking exceedingly. Girald.

made of the armes of Normandy (viz) the the fingle Lyon of A quitain one coate of sames for Englas it is yet borne. Nie. V ploit. Io. Carnotenfis, lib. 16

sap. 18. And much more, and much and in his honour writeth Giraldus in Hibern.c . pugnata. lib.1. & G. Nevbrig.lib. z. cap. 29. Wherumo for brenity I recommend

she Reader.

of Staneley, and of Douer. He also began the stoneworke of London bridge, which was finished by his He first kept Lyons, & Sonne King Ion (or caused to be finished) for it is all one to a common wealth. And he instituted the cirewo Leopards, and of cuits of the Judges: and not to be tedious in the numeration of such particulars) in a word he was (as In Carnotenfis who knew him well) testifieth, rex optimus apud Britanias , Normanorum , et Aquitanerum dux falscissimus, et primus tam amplitudine rerum, quam (plendore VIRTVTVM. Quam frenuns quam magnificus, quam prudens,et modeftus quam pius ab ipsa(vt ita dicam infantia) fuerit, nec ipse liuor silere, nec dissimulare potest: cum opera recentia, et manifesta sint &c. And after those his great workes, and all his high achinements, his victoryes, his trophees of his heroy-

call, and christian vertues, and a long and happy

raigne, he departed at Chinon in Touraine, in the 35. yeere of his raigne, and in the 61. yeere of his age An.

Do. 1189, and was with all due funerall pompe enterred.

ted, at Frantenaula, and vpon his tombe had this inscription engrauen.

Sufficit hic tumulus cui non suffecerat orbis,
Res breuis ampla satis, cui suit ampla breuis.
Rex inuictus eram, mibi plurima regna subegi,
Multiplicig, modo duxg, comesq, sui.
Cui satis ad votum suemut baud omnia terra

Climata serra modo sufficis octo pedum.

Qui legis hac pensa discrimina mortis, et in me Humana speculum conditionis habe.

Quod potes instanter operare bonum, quia mundus Transit et incautos mors inopina rapit.

Thus this great Henry left his great name, and his glory to the world: and his Kingdomes and his dominions to his posterity the Princes aranged, and enrouled in this following: Poesy. Vinto which his Empire I'dare affirme, & vpon the present ellegate, et probate conclude, that never any Prince heyre generall of this kingdome had so many, so ancient, & so lawfull titles as Hee, to whose happy inauguration this humble verse is consecrated.

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AN ECLOG, Entituled ΔΑΦΝΙΣ ΠΟΛ-YETEPANOE, betwixt Da-

matus a Woodman, and Silenus the Prophes of the Shepheards,

DAMATAS. SILENYS.

Stanza T.

OF all the trees in hearthly Silven's guard, (wherwith the worthist brow's were crown'd of There is but one, or few (O reuerend Barde) yore) The anal Amid whose vertues maze I would require A line of any learned wiferds lore: The Plante of Geneft chiefly I'admire, Whole humble highnes makes me of furmile, That lowly steps beladders to theski's.

Bardi Dieder Sic.

Humilitas feala cali

For



DAPHNIS

RERESERVENCES.

For well I wist though Geness doth not dwell
In proudest soile, nor tops of mountaines hye,
She shews by this, that she foreseeth well
The perils, which doe all extreames impend.
Th'aspiring pine (whose top doth threat the sky)
Diuine Reuenge doth headlongs oft downe send,
When this is safe vpon her humble hill,
Not thrall to any proud Superiors will.

Flexit pinum ferox aftris minantem, & de nuis media vocat. Sensoa.

Againe I know her gentle property
To yeeld, and bowe, as reason shall aduste:
Loe here a type of true humility,
And therefore hath by kind the soueraine pow'r
Of parts of man, which onely duty tyes
To bowe to Kings, and to their Creatour.
O instrespects, who can so well deserve
Forto commaund, as one that knows to serve?

Genuam doloribus medetur ,hine Genista Atta fuel sime.



BIAT



POLYST EPH.

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And that the Geneft doth by nature holde
A speciall honour of aternal green:
And that his boughs be charged with flowr's of gold:
And many such like graces more I wot:
But in my minde long this conceit hath been,
That yet the greatest wonders I weet not.
And I am wont this tree oft to compare
To that, which is in all the world most rare.

Fide flame 54.

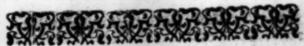
Now good Silenes, as you are a man
Endew'd with passing skill, and mystick art,
Enforme me rightly, (for I know you can)
What be the other mysteries of this tree:
And by the way I pray you to impart
Both which, and what those other flowers be,
Whereof (they say) the "præsident of light
Hath made a garland for his † fauorite.

Thou

Apollo profes.

luminis. Gall.

† Sup. Daplmis quad
nomes in bac celoga
datus S.R.Jacobo, ficus
lulio Caferi olim in
actioga y. Virgilio.
a pation thus.





DATHNIS



SILENVS.

Thou hast long liu'd (Dameias) in the woods,
And there for Woodman hast Genista served,
To prune her plants, and saue her tender buds,
As seasons did the charge to thee commend:
And many of her vertues hast observed,
Which vse, or common mought apprehend,
But for to deem the doubt thou stick stypos.
Would aske some time bestow'd in Helicity.

When first I went those sacred wells to see,
My will to good was harsh, benumm'd and cold?
My head now white, was then like eben-tree.
Dy'de in the sensual sumes of youthfull will.
Loe now of each the contraries I hold,
For Time, and trauaile, and those springs of skill.
Of stost, and snow have made my sculls attire,
And warm'd my spirits with their holy fire.

Capitis nines: sic Horatius.

Now



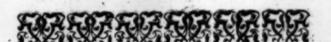
POLUSTEPH.

Now of these flames I will impart to thee, And happily perhaps thou haft refer'd The resolution of this doubt to me: For why this case was argued long-agone, In Helicon, and I my felfe it heard, Where Phab (amid the Mufes) on his throne, Establish'd by those sacred maides adusse, What Ghirlands should be ech acchinements price

The question grew because spolles siste, Præferd a plant against such as præfumed To weare a garland of his holy fruite, Without defert or speciall grace dinine. Apollo was much mou'd, and chaf'd, and fumed, And went anone to counfaile with the Nine. And when he had a leafe of Laurell ear, Thus spake, as I his speeches can repeat.

and Spaniards write the first fyllable of Garland with an i. & that is neerest to the Etyemologie of Guir & dalen segreene expes in British.

Hine vater Auprupay olim diffi Lycopbron ap, Calium, Rodie.



DATHNIS



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The Laurel Garland. The Laurel-crowne was giu'n, and shall be still
Plus 146. 15.

To peerclesse men, to Clarks, and Emperours,
And such as in a mood of metrik skill,
Could of my fauours make their vants at large.

The Palme garland. And then that long-enduring Palme of yours,

Was due(my fifters, and my facted charge)

To fuch, as worthily to gaine the price,

Had fuffer'd watching, famine, fire, and Ice.

The Oken Garland.

The Olive Garland. Gell. & Texter.

The Mirtile Garland.

Virg. & Ouid.

And he, which had with valiant hand preserved
A citizen, received a crowne of Oke.
But he a wreath of Oliue-leaues deserved,
Who had with Arts, and plea's of peace beguiled
The bitter times, which discord had for spoke,

Or els some dangerous soe had reconciled. And he, who long had flam'd in true loues fire, Receiv'd a crowne of Mirtle for his hire.

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POLYSTEP H.



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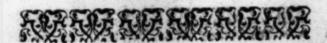
I meane whose amorous flame is fed by grace,
By grace of hir, who doth his deare perseuer.
I meane not one forlorne, and in disgrace:
He must a wreath of bitter Willow weare:
For as that tree by buds doth promise euer,
A hope of fruite, yet fruite doth neuer beare,
So vaine, and fruitlesse is his, hope and loue,
Who arrinconstant womans loue doth proue:

Of all the most authentik is of Grasse, was vied.
That crowne(before I had my Bayes) was vied.
And with those words his colour alter'd was,
And setch'd a sigh, which would have rent a rock.
So much his gunly conscience him accused,
Whose rape to scape a Maide was made a stock.
In briefe remorfe did to with him prenale,

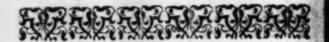
The Willow garland, authorized by Homer and Virgil Homer calleth this tree of the original in frequency in frequency of the control of the co

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DATHNIS



Yet what he could his passions he subdu'de
What could henot, who was a wight divine?
And for that he his purpose would conclude,
The Garland of the Grasse did serve (quoth he)
For some such politik, or Paladine,
Who from a seege should set a city free.
And then the hood of Cypresse-leaves was woon
Of such, as had (as I have) cause to moorne.

The Cypreffe-garland. Caro apud Plin. 116. 16.

The Veruain garland. For fafe conuoy is borne the Veruain wreath Vergil. Plin.

Of foecials, and Mars his oratours.

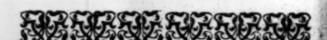
Iny Garl. Plin, lib. 16. To Twifcons race the Iny I bequeath.

The Garlands of Lil. Lillis, Chardons, and sweets of Erycine, lies, Roses, & Thisles. Of severall Empires be the signall floures, de bis vide Pierium in Symboles of beautie, power, and grace dinine:

And now I doe employ them to adorne

The crowne, which of my Daphnis shall be wome.

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16.

The Pine is Pan's, and hee bestoweth that
Of herds, which best can skill to tune an Ote,
Or wist to make their cantell soonest fat.
But more from this, and from the rest I hast
To speake more large of ON E(as you may note)
The first in bonour, though in order last:
As it besalls with gold which is resin'de,
The worst comes first, the best remaines behind.

There is an Island (1) Leavies calld,
And in that Isle there growes (2) a gentile tree,
Whose bough's her all of carried Emerald,
And for hir flowers my Raies I did employ.
For her abode she lister not to be
Where either heat, or cold can hir anoy.
Whether the Bee of homagers most true
Comes oft to yeeld his sure; and service due.

The Pine Garland.
Properties lib aleg. L.

The GENEST garland.

(1) Orphens calleth Britain Asunssera in Argonantec. 2) Gentile hath divers fignifications, formetime it fignifieth frpremo grado de perfellione per natura po coftumi, & per villor &c. LKuftelli. fome time it fignificthof, or belonging to the fame flock or nation, as Gratilis chypeus gentile facrum. er Gentilbuomo in Italian, and as it is vied here. Sometime also it **V**pon brokeneth mild, or pliant, as it is vied flanz, a and fometin a Hethen or Pagan, as it is winally taken in the holy scriptures and





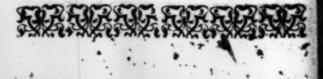
Vpon this tree is fet my chiefest care. Now thou faire Geneft art my dearest tree. Thy ghirlands now of all shalbe most rare. And I pronounce, and make a folemnevow, (Sifters accord for fort must needs bee) None shall presume to were hereof one bough But fuch as standing high in vertues grace, Shalbe aduane'd to honours highest place.

neft, Rofes, Chardons & Lilies referred for rite &c.viz K.

LAMES.

But to put on my new composed crowne The Garland of Ge- It shall not fall to any but to O N E. And fuch an one, as merit, and renowne Daphnis Apollo's fauo- Shall recommend vnto the Supreme good. Eu'n such a one as shall deserve al one To weare a wreath of ech tree in the wood, Wife, valiant, iust in briefe indued with all: Vertues Christian, and heroicall.





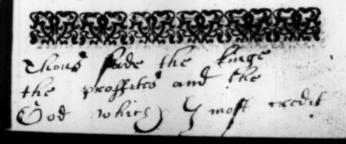
POLYSTEPH.



To him his neighbour potentars shall bend, The Polare princes shall his vastalls bee, Afrik, and Inde, to him shall presents fend, Æsteeming those the happiest wights alone, Which league contract with him or amitee, Fortunes dearling, Pieties champion, Successor and heire in all by right To great King Artur * Ielu's faithfull knight,

Thus faid the King, the Prophet, and the God, (Which I must credit as my blest beleefe) And here he made his parting Period. But that thou may it the better bear away This Oracle, I will declare in briefe What worthies have bene grac'd vnto this day, By bearing branches of this happy tree, As divers have, and hearken now to mee.

The oracle ginen to Augustus,me puer Hebrews, che recorded by Nicephorus, and that reported by 84 gubins, Hen tripodes lugete perit prafagui Apollo thews that th Hethen gods knew Chrift : qued notes



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K Hen wide prz.

You see (Dametas) that the Gods decree

Admitts but one to weare the complet ghidand,
But some, whose fame hathscal'd a high degree
May beare a branch, and some a chappeler.

Th'Empress Matilda's some, who conquerd triand.

(The greatest Britanne King, which hath beeneyes,
Must by good right now lead this royall band.

Of the triumphant worthies of this land.

A prince form d of the true imperiall mould, Hee was as valorous, as politike; Hee could well win, & what he wan could hould, And fortune follows such men in their traine.

(1) Wellnia was his, he rul'd in (2) Armorike; Andraignd in Albien, and in Aquitaine.

In breef a soueraign hee did raigne, and rule.

From Pyren mountaines to the frozen (3) Thule.

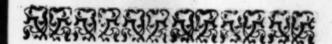
1) Normandie not Neustria Pitheus. 2) Litle Britain.

3) Terrarum vi ima Thule, Sencea Island, or Thylen fell, that is Sherland secundum Gasp Pencerum ap. G. Camd. num.

With



TOLYSTEPH.



With flipps of Broome he decked next his cap, Whose valiant zeale, whose chiusley divine Made in the pagan kingdomes such a gapp, As all the Christian hosts mought enter in. He tooke Acon, and topps in Palessine, And did besides, the realme of Coprus win. He warr'd with men, and sew the Austrian Lyon, And made a peace with GOD, and went to Zion.

Cour-de Lion. maried.

Berengaria daughter
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Navarre, 'Arass,
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Afic la ou il fift pluffeurs belles ebofes. (Afree
the departure of the
French K. Lauge) DuHasken fit.

Next rides king ton, to whom from Caledonn
Solemly vow d to be loyall leage man
To him the King, and hoyrs of his Crowne.
And by his ampices the (*) Brabant Knight
From rebell Lords their ile of refuge wan.
By him great Themses bridge to exqurite,
(Which did before in woodden modells lunke)
Became of Europe themost stately woorke.

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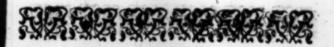
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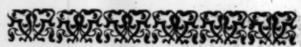
K.Hen. 2. furnamed de VVinchester maried Elianor, daughter of Reimond Eric of Prouence.

Then comes his sonne with other architects (Not to build Babels and Castles in the ayre) But hee a holy house for GOD proiects, The which he doth at Westminster performe. A temple high, magnificent, and faire, A princely pile as well for vse, as forme, And shall remaine to all posterity, A glorious trophed of his piety.

K.Edward 1. farnamed Long bank, maried first Elianor . daughter of the King of Caftile, the was heir of Ponthien, & mother of K.Eduv. 2. by his second wife Margaret daughter of the French King, he had The of Brotherton, from whom by Segrauc, and Moubray the Houvards are discended. (1) vide The DV alfingbam in Edward 1. K.Eduvard a. furnamed of Carmarvon, maried Ifabell daughter and heire of Philip Le Bel K. of France.

Now add the foremost two which bore his name, (Who of the saint desguis'd a ring receaued)
To th'one some gue a Hammer for surname,
Bycause he bruis'd(2) Gaiothel in his wroth,
And him of Iacobs stone, and chaire bereaued.
But Iacob soone shall repossesse them both.
Th'other Edward the templars did expell.
Of whom I can no more say, to say well.

Bchold





POLYSTEP H.



28.

Behold him next who in a doome supreme Pouvoir about an Estre did aduance,
For he was offred Casars diademe.
But followed boons forbod, and downe anon Cuts with his mothers sword the flowes of France, and plants them in his fields of albion
And puts them in his royall Lions guard,
For so (quoth he) Dies of mon drois award.

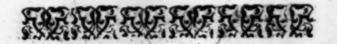
K. Edvuard 3 furnamed de VV ind fore, maried Philip daughter of VVillam Erleof Henalt, &c. hee tooke Calain, & woom many victories of the French, as at (very & Slup, &c. Refused to be Empereur. Paralipom. ad Abb. Vispergens.

Right gentile too was that conceit of his,
When hee the Garters order did ordaine,
A noble pledge of princely grace it is:
Happy are they which therewith gird their knee.
Thrife happy hee, and ay fo may remaine
Who doth protect both that, and them, and hee,
Which faith not fo, ill come to him and worfe,
Then Höni fois, qui mal y penfe's curse.

The order of the Knights of the Garter inflimed.

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Bavo. de PVoodflock Pr. of Wales, and of Aquitain, maried loan daughter and heire of Edm. Plantagenet Erte of Kent.

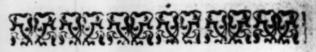
Va sel prince eftoit le monde. Froifard. 4) Hee ouerthrew

French in Spain be-Print Navarit & Naiara facm.

For there a (2) double victory he wann. 2) Le icune prince doubloment victorieux, ciant vaincu fon enemi par valeur et per coursoifie, laiffaut une utnerable trapbet de fan bumanite & prudence, de Jede Serres.

* K.Ric. s. his fonne furnamed de Bourdeaux, maried Anne of Luxembourg daugh ter of the Emperour VVencestaus.

& K.Ric. z furnamed deFetheringay, duke of Glocefter. &c. maried Anne Nevill daugh . ter of Rich. the great Earle of VVarvoik.



Philipp the famous Macedonian

Had not a sonne of higher worth then hee, digite de governer tont For where the prince black Edward went hee want This honers comere first did faire appeare 60000. Spaniards and At Crecy field, which (1) Namares did fee After more bright then Manors in his fphere, But Poitiers cheifely, where hee tooke King Jem.

> Two * Richards more succeed, the one a Prince, Whole goodly prefence men to woonder moved, And was as bountifull as any fince, &Fame hath been tharp to th'other, yet bicause All accusations of him are not proued: And hee built Churches, and made good law's, And all men held him wife, and valiant, Who may deny him then his Geneft plante?

> > But



NE SERVE SERVE SERVE

But Henry Bolinbrook (methinks dooth frowne, That Gloffer here should next to Burdeaux come, Bycause he from his cousin tooke the crowne. Mistake not Henry, for by right for neither Ofyee, in these triumphall car's is roome:

But best of all ye may be match dtogether.

Yet doo I grant thouwert a princely Knight,
And patrone of the bloody rose by right.

K.Hen. 4. furnamed de Bolingbrook, maried Mary daughter & heye of Humber Bobas Erle of Hertford & e. He was Duke of Leneaffer in the right of his mother Blanch daughter of Henry Duke of Lancaferyers.

But to thy sonne the Dolphins strange repeyre (Swimming in post up to the royall port)
Foretold that hee was born the Lillies heire.
This signe was soon by sequels verified:
Dolphin hee was by right, or swords effort.
And he in France victorious liu'd and died.
Whom Azincourt so nobly did recease,
At * Vincienne parke of all he takes his leave.

K. Her. c, formuned de Monmouth, maried (
Katherine daughter en Cher the Gahe Fronth King (
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"Hee died at Boir de Vinciennes part Paris.

Henry







K.Hen.6. furnamed the Saint, built a college at Eaton, and the Kings college in Cambridge : maried Marg.

K.H.7. follicited the Pope to canonize K. H.6.who refuled.

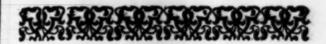
Henry his fonne furnamed of Windle fore (Who was in London and in Paris crowned) Most worthily a Plant of Genest bore. danghter of Rene K. of But not by scepters sole his praise began: Sieil, Duke of Aniovv. His christian vertues made him most renowned, For he was deem'd a very holy man, And had been made a Saint, and long fince farind, But that the vice-faint maker was vokind.

Rich duke of Yorke, beire generall of the crowne, Regent of France, maried (ccit) Nevil daughter of Rafe Bric of VVallmerland K.Edvv.4. maried Bliz. Widevile daughter of Ant. Erle Rivers.extinguished Lawaster. Q.Ebra,1. L.Lavv.s.

I must omitt that proud Plantagenet, Who in high parlament the king defirde. But I may not his gallant sonne forget, Who twice did winne the royall gole by armes: And was the father of the happiest bride, That euer Camber compassed in his armes: She made the loffe the lighter of that sonne, Whose raigne then ended as it was begonne. She



POLYSTEPH.



She, and her Richmont (on'd by factament)
Refus'd the golden offer of Colône,
Foreseeing that the riches and the rent
Would hardly counternaile the keepers care:
And had besid's a secret reed that one,
(Who should hereafter set in Arturs chaire)
Should setch the sleece when he occasion saw,
And hold the golden monark in his awe.

R. Hen. P. Bele of Richtson, maried Stirgh.

Plantag. daughter & heire of K. Edva.

For them Christopher Colonia offerpal to discourthe Indian.

R. Hahjait to. 3.

This Richment was a very prudent prince.

And therefore was furnamed Solomon.

The world hath feen great works accopish dince,
Which were projected by this Theodore.

This man of GOD did happily atone
The citil fend, which long had been before,
Betwixt the Rose, which first grew in the wood.

And that which Fenns colour din hit blood.

Men. Bele of Riches.

venne both the field
and the crowne at
Befiver th. Margaret
bis mother was an
heyer of the house of
Somerfer hee extinguithed the male limit
of Torie.

Vide Ould in attention
these Roses were the
derifes of Torie at
Lassafer.



Margaret their daugh ter was maried to La,4 K.of scotland, by who she had K. James 1.who maried Mary dangheer to Claud duke of Guife, who bare to him Mary Queene of Scotland and of France, heyr apparent of England, and mother of our Souerain Lord King lames.

tarine daughter of Ferdinand King of Caffile, by whom be had Q. Mary: he had Q. Elizabeth by Anne Tad R. Edvo. by lane fifter of the Duke of Somerfet. Doctor Cooper B. of Lincolne in Chronicis.

K.Hen. 8 maried Ka-

These happy Plants have overspreed this Ile By Henry, and more fruitfull Margaret. (But Henry's branches florish'd but a while) She is the roote of the immortall feed. Whence lames the wife a new Plantagenet did spring, and was hir father who did breed The great Pohflephane, as shall appeere When they are past, which come triumphing here!

That Henry with his broome attempted first To sweep our of this land the droffe of Roome , but A A worke of worth, which els no monarke durft. And made a Bal when hee had doon this deed and Bolein daughter of the In triumph of the flowers of the Broome: Ene of V'suspine. Hee Yet see how duly vernie hath hir meed, 1 100 and 1 For the Pope himfelfe as (the Bifliop fauth) wiwind First Stiled him Defender of the faith. Didword both His

POLYSTEPH.

His hopefull some brought happily to passe What was attempted by that hardy King.
For hee abollished the Romish Masse attempted to maintaine christian stoth.
And as his yeeres, so did his vertues spring.
But enuious fates vntimely cropd them both.
Then let this serue to make complete his praise,
Whom Gods do lous he dies in tender dayes.

R. 8 dov. 6,

Quem di diligunt, moritur Invenis. Menander,

and street.

This is king Henries eldest daughters place,
A dame endewd with her nly vertues many:
Devont fans dont, a MART full of grace.

Inft of hir word as ever any Queene and the liberall hand was never closed to any, whose need required. This maks her plant still green,
For what somewer plously is generally and the liberal Is with great vsury restor din beauch.

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Q. Mery maried to Philip a.King of Spainc.

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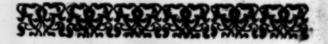


2. Elizabeth. 2. shee added Virginia to his Empire. &c.

Hir younger fifter next to hir doth fet,
Who was in acts, and age the happier much?
And therefore weares the brauer chappelet.
A Queene, whose state so happily did stand,
That men did say(seeing hir greatnesse such)
This Lady leadeth fortune in hir hand:
A virgin which did keep hir lamp still light
And eke for rarenes was a Phanix hight:

For weigh hir peace established at home,
And next hir victories acheev'd abrode
As well in th' Indies as in christendome.
Then hir safe garding hir confederates,
Hir zeale to the true worshipping of GOD,
Hir wisely moderating hir three estates,
These say she was a glorious Amazone,
As euer any was: but fates spare none,

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POLYSTEP H.

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Add more, which joynd strange scepters to their As Cormula did the scepter of almain, (plant, And that of Cassile royall ion of Gant,

Progenitor by sonnes, and either daughter.

Of all the kings of Britain, and of Spain:

Without sir Bolinbrook, who for the slaughter.

Of a king inunct ashamed hid his eyes

Long-sithence with a hood of strange desguise.

to their Rit. Erle of Cornevall brother to K. Hen. 3.e(plant, le cted K. of Almajn, or Romones.

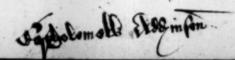
100 of Gant. Duke of Lancafte. K. of Caftile & Lion by Q Confider his wrife.

K.Hen.4 vt Supra.

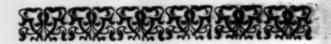
But Bedford shall his fathers place supply,
Who though no King, yet was a great vice-roy,
And in his place behaved him royally.
Th'arm'd forceresse committed to the slame,
Narbone, Alasson, and their * petty roy
Vanquish'd at Vernueil witnesse well the same,
Who while he liv'd preserv'd th'inheritance
Of his drad leege, and kept in awe all France.

Jon Duke of Redfords
3. fonne of K. Hen.4.
regét of Frace where
he tooke the great
Champion of France
Jeans la pucelle consentre whe vicont of
Narbone at lea: wann
the bataile at Ugranes
il, which (as Serves
faith) Faifoit porter le
Some dutil a toute la France,
"K. Coarl.7. was called
in scorne Le petit 109
de Bourges.





POLYSTEPH



Artur Plantag. Erle of Britain, sonne of Geffrey, 3. fonne of K. H.z. heir apparent proclaimed by K.R.thefirtt. Mary daughter and heire of lam. 4.King of Scotland by Mary de Loraine daughter vt Supra. 38. S. Peter calleth the crowne of immortall glory riparor a uspar-Tirer. 1. cpift.ca. 5.

Some more great Genefters recount I may, Whose fronts should with this crowne have circled But they were absent at their facting day: As Artur, heire vnto the greatest King: And the chat was of France and Scotland Queene, Whose vertues praises all the muses sing, of the Duke of Guife, And weares in sted of chappelet of Plantes In hev'n a diademe of Amarants,

> And divers other fett on fortunes knee, Highly advanced for vertues rare respects Haue worne a branch of this imperiall tree. Farther they neither did prefumenor mi at, For they were men, and had somelighe feets: But yet they pass'd as far ech other wight, As he (that peereleffe hee) eclipfeth them, Who is of all the world the rarest gemm.

DAPHNIS.

Defects



TO SEE SEE SEE SEE

48.

Defects empeich'd they were not absolute,

And fates conspir'd to keepe them in their wants:

But GOD, and fates desert and publike brute

Haue all pronounc'd him sole the worthy ONE

To weare the ghirland made of many plants.

Th'high Seneschall (I meane) of Albien,

Of whom Apollo in his holy tage,

Did as you heard such wond'rous goods presage.

Sie Wiserus diese. Olioplina ab O visio.

K. Lemer is high Sonefichall of England, Scotland, and France, by private hentages, ver, by Leitefter, Ab. & Anievo.

And this is hee, for whom by defteny and all of The complete ghirland was referred to long and the H of whom to fay in footh my fantatic, the work has a side to the With flattering hopes to doo himfelfe that wrong. I To thinke his ftile mought at his praise arrive in the flattering hopes to doo himfelfe that wrong. I To thinke his ftile mought at his praise arrive in the flattering hopes to doo himfelfe that wrong. I will be the true that is which erft thy Muse did fing. The will be the will be the side of the side o

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is stone is many on Trimel rate.

This is that Olive-bearer of this He, logger & Bolo (Who hall by high preordinance divine a road bath That great intestine quarell reconcile, a COO and Which fo vnnaturally fo long hath been have if As Theodore did that, which was betweene a signal of haling The bloody brothers Lancafter and Yorke, 10 And was a figure of this greater worke.

Tria iunila in vuo: It is the mott of his Maiesties devise for the Knights of the Bath .

To this his retunited Albion ... dw 201, out it zinds LnA Hee shall annex the crowne of Pharamound, And fayre Hobernice Joyning three in one. Still Victory shall follow his enfigne. He shall in treasure, peace, and yeeres abound, Equity, Clemency, and love datine I and plain of In all carles, and of all opmions in wai their training Shall be his judges in his dominions.

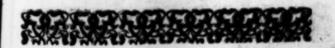


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And to accomplish this his happinesse food and Anne Queene of great Heavins doo to him a princely spoule decree Britain , daughter of All those fraile faints, those gentile goddesses Frederick 2. King of shall kneel to hir : fo wife fo chaft, so loyally up bo A Denmarke, So fare, to good, to goodly the thalbe And both thrase bletfed in their iffue toyall; For hee, and they which from them hall difcend T Horry Prince of gress Shall raigne in Bename, rill the world base ende W

And Britain had no fooner faith and force de Prince Herry. Combin'd, buthir DO'L PH IN in sender age W Vowes to redeem from Gallate bands the cost month K. Henry the a busin Of his grand-fire the great Plantagenet, daniel M Frant. And feize voon his Southern heritage, sinos I ba A And bounds, and trophers in the Pyrens fette Soft Muse : bar profper GOD, and natise right This flowre of flowers, this fweer S. Georges knight.

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DATHNIS

What dooft thou now (Damatas) more command Lo here discuss'd the mysteries of thy tree, Thy doubts diffolu'd, affoiled thy demand, And eu'n thy thoughts (I thinke) descyphred are. And if that rareft thing great D APH NIS bee, To who thou didft some time those plants compare, Then lo at length the white is striken pat, Which thy conceits fo long have aymed at.

DAM ETAS. O bleffed Prophet hallow'd beethy art,

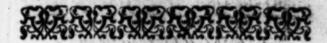
Which hath fo much relected my travaild mind, Beimd. softe . buied Thou hast discharg'd in faith a frendly part : Dinbanastrend ni My thoughts, and doubts are ridled every-on. And I confesse his name thou hast divined, To whose high worth the plants were pargon. Silena live, and fo naught refleth now, 1:011/102 But to his feruice all my life to yow.

Stang. 4.

Wher



POLYSTEPH.



Wherfore I wish I wish to bring to passe, or To have a Penn plucked from Angels wings: And then to bee as high as Atlas was, Who on his shoulders did support the skies, (O King of flours, O fairest floure of Kings) Thus would I write in starry Paradise, DAPHNIS atomic chappeas roialest, De Roses, charden, iv, or de Genest.

Triumph yee trees, which had so high a hap
To beare the flowers of this royall Hat:
Florish yee flowers hald in Flora's lap,
Wherof Apollo did his ghirland make,
Ghirland in honour equall bee to that,
Which shines in hev'n for Ariadoe's sake,
And may his state, for terme with starts contend,
To whom the hev'ns this Garland recommend.

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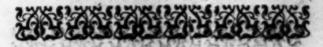
Onow (great BRITON) by decree divine,
This fowre-fold Diademe devold to thee,
Great Adgars heyre by fortunes, and by line.
But greater by thy wildome, and thy witt,
Thy minde inuict, thy bountee, pietee,
And all the vertues for a Calar fit.
Whenfore on thee all happines attend,
Whom heav'ns to vs to happily did fend.

Gran cose in picciol fasce stringo. F. Petrarc.

Dij boni quid hoc est, quod semper ex supremo fine mandi nova delim numina vninerso orbi colenda descendunt?

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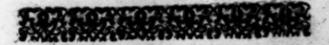




MONEY POPIOP.

The Hymne inauguratory for his Maielie: mentioned in the Epille D.D.

God of gods, O King of Kings, Aternall Father of all things, In heavn and earth, and eucry where, By whom all Kings their Scepters beare: Great God of Lames our bleffed King Who peace, and ioy, to vadid bring. Whom thou a cheef, a soyall guide Didft for thy herdleffe troupes prouide. Now we befeech the mighty Lord, To vs fuch fauour to afford, That this triumphall festinall, This holy-day imperiall, May bee fo often celebrated, Tank and agree and to de That finally it bee not doone, Till the great comming of thy fonne, And that his health, his loyes, his peace May as his yeeres, and raigne encreafe. AMEN.



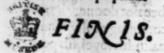
PREESTE BEESTE BEESTE

Epigrammatis S. Regi Iacobo lampridem Hantopiæ regiæ oblati exemplar, cuius mentio est Stanza.49.

Anglice David ane, rex scilices optime, vatas
Optime, quos mundi secula sera vident.
Vircalestis ane, nam non industria talem
Te secit tuu sed gratia summa DEI.
Tu pius et sortis su prudens, ordine, stirpe,
Fortuna, meritis (prime Iacobe) vale.

Aliud de symbolo nummi noui.

Vos (Henrice) Rosas, vnists Regna (Iacobe:) Dat Deus vt siet bac Vnio perpetus.





Faults escaped in the Printing.

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